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Subject: Materials Tests

Dear Joe:

Pursuant to our recommendation in our equipment survey dated 22 June 1959, and Headquarters approval of the recommendations in their message No. 1240, we have acquired quotations for conducting tests on the neoprene coated fabric used in equipment furnished to the project.

Two reputable testing companies quote an estimated price of approximately \$65.00 to conduct a series of tests which will serve to provide better estimates of service life of the equipment concerned.

Both companies admit it will be difficult to positively state the degree of aging because the degree and time of exposure to ozone could not be stated accurately and as we know would be variable.

The method they propose to use would be to run new samples to destruction for control purposes thus providing a scale to judge used samples against. This system would provide us with a capability of running periodic checks as we deem necessary.

It is therefore requested that authorization for expenditure of funds to cover the above type tests be given, preferably through a depot Work Order on Contract CH-CT-44.

Further action is held in abeyance pending your advice.

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